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1. REFS A AND B GIVE DETAILS WHICH HAVE GOVERNED PREPARATION HERE OF DRAFT STATEMENTS OF GOALS AND TASKS FOR EACH AMBASSADOR. DRAFT TEXT FOLLOWS BELOW FOR YOUR COMMENT. PLEASE RESPOND ASAP, BUT NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6 IN ANY EVENT.

2. BEGIN TEXT: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADOR-ICELAND.

I. MAINTENANCE OF THE US-MANNED ICELAND DEFENSE FORCE AT KEFLAVIK
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-- PRESERVE UNINTERRUPTED ACCESS FOR US FORCES TO THE MILITARY FACILITIES AT KEFLAVIK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 1951 DEFENSE AGREEMENT AND THE 1974 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.

-- STRENGTHEN ICELAND'S IDENTIFICATION OF ITS SECURITY INTERESTS WITH THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF THE ICELAND DEFENSE

FORCE AT KEFLAVIK AND ICELANDIC MEMBERSHIP IN NATO.

II. CONTINUE CLOSE COOPERATION ON BILATERAL AND MAJOR
MULTILATERAL ISSUES

-- PREVENT ANY DETERIORATION IN US/ICELANDIC RELATIONS
RESULTING FROM OUR REFUSAL TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD THE CON-
STRUCTION OF A NEW AIR TERMINAL BUILDING AT KEFLAVIK.

-- SOLICIT ICELAND'S SUPPORT ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES OF
MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO THE US.

-- MAINTAIN AND, IF POSSIBLE, INCREASE THE LEVEL OF US EX-
PORTS TO ICELAND.

-- DEVELOP A GREATER AWARENESS AMONG KEY SEGMENTS OF ICE-
LANDIC SOCIETY OF THE IMPORTANCE OF US AS WELL AS NATO
DEFENSE POLICIES THROUGH EXPANDED BUT EFFECTIVE PUBLIC
AFFAIRS AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS. END TEXT. VANCE

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